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Comments: I oppose the changes proposed to the current Holland Lake Lodge. Repairs and improvements can be made that do not include the destruction of historic buildings and the removal of over 200 live trees. Any 'improvement' that involves destroying historic buildings and removal of that many live trees is not 'improvement'. The current Holland Lake lodge is an iconic historic lodge that provides a genuine peaceful Montana experience. Changing it to accommodate high-end luxury resort clientele will destroy the ability of local Montanans to have the same recreational experience that their families have for decades.

Furthermore, the forest service's decision to allow these changes to the current lodge without conducting an environmental impact assessment is despicable. These are significant changes to an area that directly borders a beautiful and pristine lake. The removal of trees, building of many new buildings and water and septic facilities as well as allowing for three times as many guests to be served at one time is sure to have an impact on the health of the environment, the lake, and the wildlife nearby. I understand 'progress' and that things do change, but to allow such an extreme transition without complying with environmental protection considerations is wrong and absurd. I oppose the changes proposed to the current Holland Lake Lodge, but if these changes are sure to happen, an environmental impact assessment is absolutely vital before construction(and destruction) begins.